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MEMORANDUM FOR: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, OO

FROM: Assistant Director, OCD

SUBJECT: FDD-OCD coordination

REFERENCE: Memo AD/OO to AD/OCD of 16 February 1950,

subject as above

- 1. The referenced memorandum has been studied with care by the CIA Library and by Liaison Division, which are the two units of OCD whose operations most often overlap or impinge upon FDD's. The memorandum is most useful, and is particularly welcome as evidence of FDD's readiness to cooperate in all appropriate ways with this Office.
- 2. The general principles stated in the memorandum are those which OCD believes to be entirely sound as applied to any Division or Branch of CIA,-i.e. a) that they may freely make direct contact with other units of CIA on matters of mutual interest, b) that they may make direct contacts with other government agencies only through OCD's Liaison Division, and c) that they may make contact with non-governmental organizations and individuals only through 00's Contact Division.
- 3. Our difficulties arise not from the question: "What is the proper procedure to be followed in arranging to negotiate with so and so?" They arise from the more difficult question: "With whom, on what subjects, and to what extent, may we carry out independent negotiations which do or may have effect on the assigned responsibilities of other CIA units?"
- 4. It is possible, for example, that FDD would consider that the phrase "in coordinating exploitation" embraces and authorizes a good many activities, and freedom to make commitments, which the CIA Library considers are equally assigned to itself by various other directives and instructions. I say this in no critical frame of mind, and with no intent to muddy the waters, but only in order to try if we may not see clearly to the causes of controversy.
- 5. Attached hereto is a draft on "Clarification of FDD-OCD Procedures" which has been drawn up by the CIA Library at my request. It goes into considerable detail on the very points which most seem to need resolution, and I should be grateful if 00 would let me know what changes should be made in it in order to render it wholly acceptable. I underare meeting together each week, and I stand that

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suggest we might appropriately ask them to come up with another draft, similar to that attached hereto, which has the approval of both.

6. I think that if we can get the Library and FDD squared away, we will find it easy to resolve any outstanding difficulties affecting Liaison Division.

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Attachment